

Proceedings of the 17th meeting of the West Bengal Building & Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board held on 17.02.2011 at 2.30 pm in the Chamber of Hon'ble MIC, Labour Department and Chairman of the Board

Members and other officials present :-

- Shri Anadi Kumar Sahu, Hon'ble MIC, Labour Department - Chairman
Shri A K Roychowdhury, Special Secretary, Labour Department - Member
Shri Amal Roy Chowdhury, Labour Commissioner, West Bengal
Shri R P Chakraborty, C.I.F., West Bengal - Member
Smt. A. Khatun, Asstt. Secretary, Municipal Affairs Department
Shri S.S. Chawdhry, B.C.C. - Member
Shri N.K. Chatterjee, I.C.C. - Member
Shri S K Basu, B.A.I. - Member
Shri Qamruzzaman Qamar, I.N.T.U.C. - Member
Shri Basudeb Gupta, A.I.T.U.C. - Member
Shri Prabir Banerjee, T.U.C.C. - Member
Shri Ajay Bhattacharya, Secretary, WBBOCW Welfare Board
Shri N.R. Bala, CF & CAO, WBB&OCWW Board
Smt. Sumita Mukherjee, DLC, WBBOCW Welfare Board
Shri Kallol Banerjee, DLC, WBBOCW Welfare Board

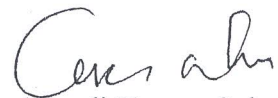
The meeting was presided over by the Hon'ble MIC, Labour Department & Chairman of the Board who welcomed all present and initiated discussion. The Secretary, W.B.B. & O.C.W.W. Board placed the agenda with the permission of the Chairman.

- 1) The proceedings of the 16th meeting of the Board were confirmed.
- 2) The Board decided in favour of introduction / enhancement of the following benefits to the registered beneficiaries.
 - (a) U/r 274 a reimbursement up to Rs.2,000/- is to be given to the beneficiaries for medical expenses in addition to the maximum accidental benefit of Rs.5,000/-.
 - (b) U/r 282, the model of Health Security Scheme under SASPFUW is to be adopted for medical treatment of other diseases in government hospital, except those allowed as accidental benefit (U/r 274) and as major ailments (u/r 280). The maximum amount of benefit entitled will be Rs.5,000/-p.a.
 - (c) U/r 276, the minimum amount of pension will be Rs.750/- per month and the maximum amount will be Rs.1120/- per month.
 - (d) The amount of invalid pension will be Rs.750/- per month.
 - (e) U/r 279, for the registered beneficiary or his/her children appearing in Madhyamik or equivalent examination, a one time financial assistance of

Rs.1,000/- is to be given subject to submission of valid registration no. issued by the Board and a certificate from the head of the institution.

- (f) For the registered beneficiary or his/her children appearing in Higher Secondary or equivalent examination, a one time financial assistance of Rs.1,000/- is to be given subject to submission of registration no. and a certificate from the head of the institution.
- 3) The Chairman informed the members of the Board that Social Security Fortnight has been observed throughout the state from 1st to 14th January 2011, for awareness generation cum registration of all ongoing welfare schemes including that of construction workers. For that purpose wide awareness generation programme has been held through TV, News Papers and other media, stalls at Book Fairs etc., hoardings & flexes and publishing of booklets / leaflets and the expenditure is met out of the Board's fund. The members approved all the expenditure towards these awareness generations. The Board decided further in favour of giving advertisements in News Papers in Hindi, Bengali, Urdu, Oriya etc. and printing booklets in Hindi, Bengali, Urdu etc.
- 4) The Board was apprised of the technical clearance by IT Department, Government of West Bengal for the computerization of the implementation machinery of BOCW Act & Rules. As per the estimates suggested, the Board also decided in favour of meeting the expenditure of approximately Rs.6 crores from the Board's fund towards computerization of this scheme.
- 5) The members of the Board have been informed that for setting up an office cum institutional campus of the Board, a letter written by the Additional Chief Secretary to MD, HIDCO requesting for allotment of a plot of land at Newtown.
- 6) The Board also decided in favour of including Brick Kiln Workers, workers engaged in stone breaking, brick making from fly ash, cement and other materials in the construction workers welfare scheme as per the suggestion of the Central Advisory Committee.
- 7) The Board decided to amend Rule 282 for improving facilities of awareness generation etc. as a part of welfare measure as per the suggestion of the Central Advisory Committee instead of Rule 285.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.



(Anadi Kumar Sahu) 23.2.11

Minister-in-Charge

Labour Department & Chairman,
W.B.B & O.C.W.W. Board.